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ORIENTAL AGENCY.
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DODWELL & CO., LIMITED,
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FRIDAY, MAY 23, 1902.

五拜禮 號三十月五年二癸

THIRTY DOLLARS
PER ANNUM.

Banks.

THE YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK, LIMITED.

ESTABLISHED 1880.
CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED Yen 24,000,000
CAPITAL PAID-UP " 18,000,000
CAPITAL UNCALLED " 6,000,000
RESERVE FUND " 8,710,000

Head Office—YOKOHAMA.
Branches and Agencies:
TOKIO. KOBE.
NAGASAKI. LONDON.
LYONS. NEW YORK.
SAN FRANCISCO. HONOLULU.
BOMBAY. SHANGHAI.
TIENTSIN. NEWCHANG.
PEKING.

LONDON BANKERS:
THE LONDON JOINT STOCK BANK, LD.
PARRS' BANK, LD.
THE UNION BANK OF LONDON, LD.
HONGKONG BRANCH—INTEREST ALLOWED.
On Current Account at the rate of 2 per cent.
per Annum on the Daily Balance.
On fixed deposits for 12 months at 5 per cent.

TARO HODSUMI,
Manager.
Hongkong, 27th March, 1902.

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL \$10,000,000
RESERVE FUND \$10,000,000
Sterling Reserve \$10,000,000
Silver Reserve \$14,250,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS \$10,000,000

COURT OF DIRECTORS:
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BANKING COMPANY, LIMITED.
HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED:
On Current Account at the rate of 2 per cent.
per Annum on the daily balance.
ON FIXED DEPOSITS:
For 3 months, 2½ per cent. per Annum.
For 6 months, 3½ per cent. per Annum.
For 12 months, 4½ per cent. per Annum.
J. R. M. SMITH,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 22nd May, 1902.

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

THE Business of the above Bank is conducted
by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI
BANKING CORPORATION. Rules may be
obtained on application.
INTEREST on deposits is allowed at 3½ PER
CENT. per annum.
Depositors may transfer at their option
balances of \$100 or more to the HONGKONG AND
SHANGHAI BANK to be placed on FIXED
DEPOSIT at 4 PER CENT. per annum.
For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI
BANKING CORPORATION,
J. R. M. SMITH,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 1st May, 1902.

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED.

Authorised Capital £1,000,000
Paid up Capital £324,374
HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.
Board of Directors:
Chao Kit Shan, Esq., C. EWENS, Esq.
Chow Tung Shang, Esq., JULIUS FOCKE, Esq.
Chief Manager,
GEO. W. F. PLAYFAIR.
Interest for 12 months Fixed 5%
Hongkong, 3rd May, 1902.

THE DEUTSCH ASIATISCHE BANK.

PAID-UP CAPITAL Sh. Tael 5,000,000
HEAD OFFICE—SHANGHAI.
BOARD OF DIRECTORS: BERLIN.
BRANCHES:
Berlin, Calcutta, Hankow,
Tientsin, Tsingtau (Kiautschou).
LONDON BANKERS:
Messrs. N. M. ROTHSCHILD & SONS,
UNION BANK OF LONDON, LTD.
DEUTSCHE BANK (BERLIN), LONDON AGENCY
DIREKTION DER DISCONTO GESELLSCHAFT.
INTEREST allowed on Current Account.
DEPOSITS received on terms which may be
learned on application. Every description of
Banking and Exchange business transacted.
H. SCHOTTLANDER,
Manager.
Hongkong, 15th April, 1902.

GUARANTY TRUST COMPANY OF NEW YORK.

(AMERICAN BANK).

ESTABLISHED 1864.

PAID UP CAPITAL U.S. Gold.
\$2,000,000
SURPLUS AND UNDIVIDED PROFITS \$4,758,600
TOTAL \$6,758,600

Head Office: NEW YORK.

Directors:
Samuel D. Babcock, Adrian Iselin Jr.
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Harry Payne Whitney.

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Assistant Treasurer, Secretary.
R. C. Newton, Trust Officer.

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Donald C. Haldeman.
Honorable Levi P. Morton.

LONDON OFFICE:
33 and 35, Lombard Street, E.C.
F. G. Bishop, Manager, Eastern Department.

LONDON BANKERS:
PARRS' BANK, LIMITED.

HONGKONG OFFICE:
4, DES VOUX ROAD.
General Banking and Exchange business
transacted.

INTEREST ALLOWED.
On Current Accounts at 2½ per annum.
On Fixed Deposits:
For 3 months, 2½ per annum.
" 6 " 3½ " "
" 12 " 4½ " "
N. G. EVANS,
Acting Manager.
Hongkong, 10th April, 1902.

IMPERIAL BANK OF CHINA.

ESTABLISHED BY IMPERIAL DECREE
OF THE 12TH NOVEMBER, 1896.

Shanghai Tael.
SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL 5,000,000
PAID-UP CAPITAL 2,500,000

Head Office—SHANGHAI.

Branches and Agencies:
CANTON. PEKING.
CHEFOO. PENANG.
CHINKIANG. SINGAPORE.
CHUNKING. TIENTSIN.
HANKOW.

THE Bank purchases and receives for collection
Bills of Exchange drawn on the above
places, and Sells Drafts and Telegraphic Transfers
Payable at its Branches and Agencies.

HONGKONG BRANCH.
Advances made on approved securities.
Bills discounted.

INTEREST ALLOWED ON DEPOSITS.
½ per Annum Fixed Deposits for 3 months.
" 6 " " " 6 " "
" 12 " " " 12 " "
E. W. RUTTER,
Manager.
Hongkong, 1st January, 1901.

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER, 1853.
HEAD OFFICE—LONDON.

CAPITAL PAID-UP £800,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF SHARE-
HOLDERS £800,000
RESERVE FUND £500,000

INTEREST ALLOWED ON CURRENT
ACCOUNT at the Rate of 2 per cent. per
annum on the Daily Balances.
On Fixed Deposits for 12 months... 4 per cent.
" 6 " " " 3½ " "
" 3 " " " 3 " "
T. H. WHITEHEAD,
Manager.
Hongkong, 17th May, 1902.

Mails.

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

(INCORPORATED IN ENGLAND.)

FOR STEAMERS CAPTAINS TO SAIL REMARKS

LONDON, &c., Ballarat, R. A. Peters, Noon, 24th May, Freight or Passage.
SHANGHAI and KOBE, Nankin, C. J. Benton, R.N.R., About 27th May, Freight only.
MSEILLES and SINGAPORE, Socatra, G. W. Babot, R.N.R., Noon, 29th May, Freight only.
BOMBAY, Tientsin, W. W. Cooke, R.N.R., About 29th May, Freight only.
YOKOHAMA, Shanghai, E. Spicer, About 31st May, Freight or Passage.

(See Special Advertisement.)

† Via SHANGHAI, MOJI and KOBE. (Passing through the Inland Sea).

‡ (Calling at PENANG and COLOMBO—sufficient inducement offers).

For Further Particulars, apply to

E. A. HEWETT, Superintendent.
Hongkong, 2nd May, 1902.

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD. HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE.

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, NAPLES, GENOA, ANTWERP, BREMEN/HAMBURG.

PORTS IN THE LEVANTE, BLACK SEA AND BALTIC PORTS

LONDON, NEW YORK, BOSTON, BALTIMORE, NEW ORLEANS, GALVESTON, AND SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS.
Steamers will call at GIBRALTAR and SOUTHAMPTON to land Passengers and Luggage.

N.B.—Cargo can be taken on through Bills of Lading for the Principal Places in Russia.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.
(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

STEAMERS. SAILING DATES.
PRINZ-REGENT LUITPOLD WEDNESDAY, 28th May.
PREUSSEN THURSDAY, 12th June.
HAMBURG THURSDAY, 26th June.
PRINZ HEINRICH THURSDAY, 10th July.
SACHSEN THURSDAY, 24th July.
KIAUTSCHOU THURSDAY, 7th August.
BAVERN THURSDAY, 21st August.
KONIG ALBERT THURSDAY, 4th September.
PRINZESS ALICE THURSDAY, 18th September.
DARMSTADT WEDNESDAY, 1st October.
PREUSSEN WEDNESDAY, 15th October.
HAMBURG WEDNESDAY, 29th October.
KARLSRUHE WEDNESDAY, 12th November.
* Steamers of the Hamburg-Amerika Linie.

ON WEDNESDAY, the 28th day of May, 1902, at NOON, the Steamship "PRINZ-REGENT LUITPOLD," of the NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, Captain E. Oessmann, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE and CARGO, will leave this Port as above, Calling at NAPLES and GENOA.

Shipping Orders will be granted till NOON, on MONDAY, the 26th instant, Cargo and Specie will be received on Board until 5 P.M., on TUESDAY, the 27th instant, and Parcels will be received at the Agency's Office until NOON, on TUESDAY, the 27th instant.

Contents of Packages are required. No Parcel Receipts will be signed for less than \$2.50 and Parcels should not exceed Two Feet Cubic in Measurement.

The Steamer has splendid Accommodation and carries a Doctor and Stewardesses.

Linen can be washed on board.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

For further Particulars, apply to

MELCHERS & CO.,
AGENTS.
Hongkong, 14th May, 1902.

Intimations.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

SHIPCHANDLERS AND SAILMAKERS.

DECK and ENGINE STORES of every description, of the best quality and at most reasonable rates.

Habibuck's Paints and Oils, Hubbuck's Turpentine.

Sir Chas. Price's Compound Engine Oil.

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Soapstone for Topsides, &c., &c., Boot-topping in two shades.

Baxters All long flax Canvas (the best in the market).

Gourock All long flax Canvas and Grass Bleached Canvas.

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Ships Upholstery a speciality, attended to by experienced European Assistants. Any kind of work undertaken at the shortest notice.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO., Queen's Road and Praya Central.

Hongkong, 3rd February, 1902.

COIR ROPES AND HAWSERS

of best quality, in all sizes, always in Stock at moderate prices.

Apply to

DODWELL & Co., LIMITED.
Hongkong, 5th March, 1902.

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THE GREAT REMEDY FOR

Indigestion, Dyspepsia, Flatulency and

Acidity of the Stomach.

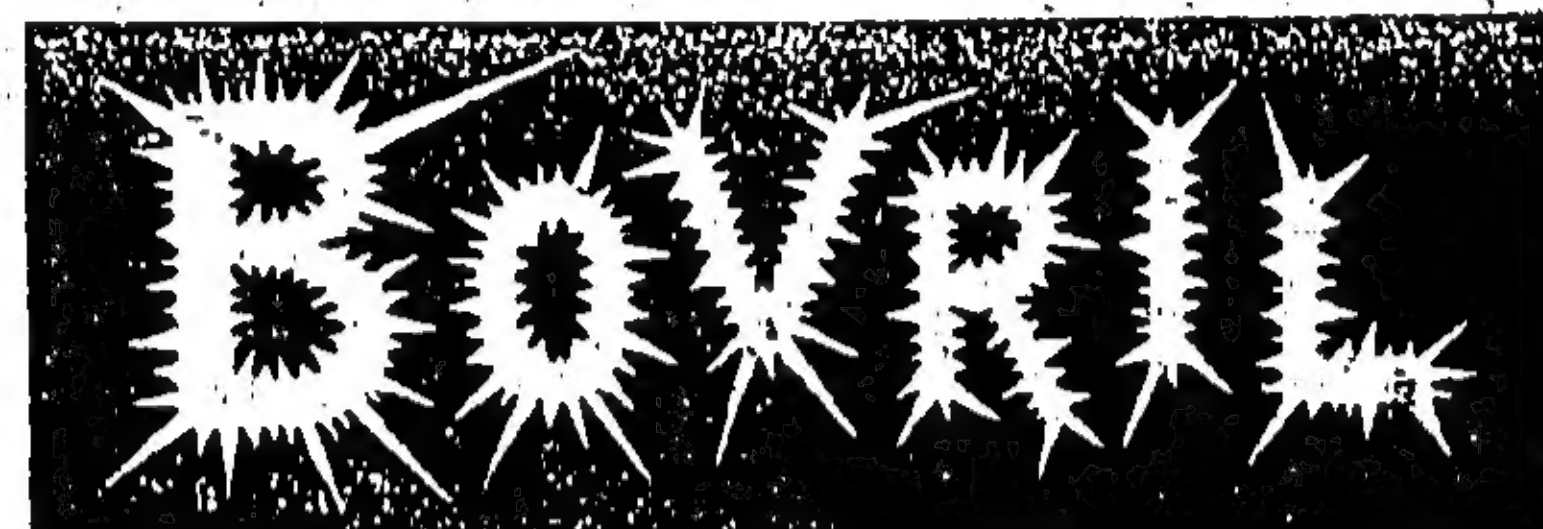
VICTORIA DISPENSARY,
Late Dakin, Cruickshank & Co., Ltd.

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BOVRIL DEFIES DISEASE.

The fact that over 500 British hospitals and kindred public institutions use and prescribe Bovril is sufficient in itself to prove that it fortifies the system against disease. As rats infest a dirty, unhealthy tenement, so disease will install itself in a deranged system and take a hold. Bovril shakes the grip when disease is there by making clean, healthy blood; the attack weakens, the microbes die, and Bovril is triumphant. But do not use Bovril only to expel; rather prepare your system against the attack of disease by using it to invigorate, and create clean and wholesome blood and organs. The result will please you.

BOVRIL is an enervating and sustaining beverage, which by its merits has become a household word from one end of the world to the other. Just as the electric light has surpassed the rushlight of our grandmothers, so Bovril has surpassed the meat extracts and beef teas of a quarter of a century ago. It is the culmination of scientific achievement in the production of a strengthening, nourishing and vitalising food beverage. In health, Bovril is a shield against the effects of a muggy, humid climate; in weakness, a substitute for regular meals; and in sickness, the right hand of the doctor and nurse in their efforts to provide the patient with true nourishing food, readily taken, palatable, and digestible.



UNITED ASBESTOS ORIENTAL AGENCY, LIMITED.

SOLE AGENTS IN HONGKONG, CHINA, JAPAN, AND THE STRAITS SETTLEMENTS.

FOR THE UNITED ASBESTOS CO., LD., LONDON.

CONTRACTORS TO H.M. GOVERNMENT.

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Best Qualities of ASBESTOS GOODS AND PACKINGS.

HYDRAULIC and SELF LUBRICATING PUMP PACKINGS, of all kinds.

"VICTOR" METALLIC BOILER JOINTS.

ASBESTOS SALAMANDER BOILER COVERING COMPOSITION of the best qualities.

ESTIMATES given for every DESCRIPTION of WORK.

CHIEF SUPERINTENDENT.....THOMAS SKINNER.

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DODWELL & CO., LIMITED, General Managers.

JAPAN COALS.

THE MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA (MITSUI & Co.)

HEAD OFFICE:—43, SAKAMOTO-CHO, TOKYO.

LONDON BRANCH:—34, LIME STREET, E.C.

HONGKONG BRANCH:—PRINCE'S BUILDINGS, ICE HOUSE STREET.

OTHER OFFICES:

New York, San Francisco, Hamburg, Bombay, Singapore, Sourabaya, Manila, Amoy, Shanghai, Chefoo, Tientsin, Newchwang, Port Arthur, Seoul, Chemulpo, Yokohama, Yokosuka, Nagoya, Osaka, Kobe, Maidzuru, Kure, Shimomoseki, Moji, Wakamatsu, Karatsu, Nagasaki, Kuchinotsu, Sasebo, Miike, Hakodate, Taipei, &c.

Telegraphic Address: "MITSUI" (A.B.C. and A 1 Codes).

CONTRACTORS OF COAL to the Imperial Japanese Navy and Armaments and the State Railways; Principal Railway Companies and Industrial Works; Home and Foreign Mail and Freight Steamers.

SOLE PROPRIETORS of the Famous Miike, Tagawa, Yamano and Ida Coal Mines; and

SOLE AGENTS for Hokoku, Hondo, Ichimura, Kanada, Kishima, Mameda, Maupoura, Onoura, Otsuji, Sasahara, Tohmiyama, Tsubakuro, Yoshinotani, Yoshio, Yunokibara and other Coals.

563c] N. INUZUKA, Manager, Hongkong.

H. PRICE & CO.,

12, Queen's Road,

TELEPHONE No. 135.

are SOLELY

Wine, Spirit and Bottled

Beer Merchants.

They only supply genuine liquors of unquestionable

purity at popular prices.

Hongkong, 27th March, 1902.

Hocks & Moselles, &c.

FOR HOT SEASON.

HOCKS AND MOSELLES.

(Direct from and bottled by Deinhard & Co., Coblenz).

Oppenheim, Laubenheim, Nierstein.

Gracher, superior, Bodenthal, Hochheim.

Steinwein (Bock Bottles), Liebfraumelch.

Sparkling Moselle (Crown label), Sparkling Hock (Crown label).

Sparkling Hock (Black label).

SOLE AGENTS:

CALDBECK, MACGREGOR & Co.,

WINE AND SPIRIT MERCHANTS,

15, Queen's Road.

Hongkong, 6th May, 1902.

HONGKONG HOTEL.

Military Band during dinner on Saturday Nights.

Hongkong, 15th November, 1900.

Intimations.



Throughout the Manufacture of this justly celebrated brand of Table Waters all ingredients used are guaranteed of purest quality. The machinery used is the most modern type and we have gone to great expense to erect our plant on latest scientific principles which has such a great advantage over the old process of manual labour still in vogue through the Colony, thereby further ensuring the purity of our products.

The Manufacture is under the personal supervision of a QUALIFIED ENGLISH CHEMIST, who has devoted years to bring this branch of the trade to perfection.

The Water used is analysed daily to ensure of its absolute purity, and when we say that our method of manufacture has been approved by Sanitary and Medical Authorities, it is in itself a sufficient guarantee.

WATKINS, LIMITED,

66, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.
Hongkong, 3rd May, 1902.

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY, LIMITED.

55.50 per Cask of 375 lbs. Net ex Factory.
53.00 per Bag of 250 lbs. SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., General Managers.
Hongkong, 15th March, 1902.

ST. JOSEPH'S COLLEGE, HONGKONG.

OWING to the insufficiency of accommodation in the present building and the increasing demand for admission, it has been found necessary to extend the wings of the main building and to enlarge the Chinese department by an additional storey with two wings. The estimated cost will amount to over \$15,000. To cover these expenses we appeal to the liberality of all friends of Education. The establishment has been in existence for the last 25 years and is open to all classes. Much of the clerical work of the city is carried on by its past pupils. As this is the first time we have applied for assistance we expect a generous response. The names of our most liberal Benefactors will be inscribed upon marble tablets, as a lasting testimony of their generosity. THE CHRISTIAN BROTHERS, Hongkong, 22nd November, 1901.

Today's Advertisements.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW.
THE Company's Steamship

"THALES,"
Captain Robson, will be despatched for the above Port, on SUNDAY, the 25th instant, at Daylight.
For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LARRAIK & Co., General Managers.
Hongkong, 23rd May, 1902.

THE CHINA AND MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.
FOR MANILA.
THE Company's Steamship

"RUBI,"
Captain R. W. Almond, will be despatched for the above Port, on THURSDAY, the 29th instant, at Noon.

Highest Class Passenger Steamers, High Powered, Newest and most up-to-date on the run. All Accommodation Amidships. Electric Light and other Modern Improvements. A Surgeon is carried.
For Freight or Passage, apply to SHEWAN, TOMES & Co., General Managers.
Hongkong, 23rd May, 1902.

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.
STEAM TO SINGAPORE AND BOMBAY.
(In close connection with the Co.'s Accelerated Line to TRIESTE).
THE Company's Steamship

"TIROL,"
Captain Breifeld, will be despatched as above on TUESDAY, the 3rd June, P.M.

This steamer has capital accommodation for passengers, electric light and carries a doctor. For Information as to Passage and Freight, apply to SANDER, WIELER & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, 23rd May, 1902.

"SHIRE" LINE OF STEAMERS.
FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL.
THE Steamship

"MERIONETHSHIRE,"
Captain Birch, will be despatched for the above Port, on or about the 25th June.

For Freight, apply to SHEWAN, TOMES & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, 23rd May, 1902.

"BARBAR" LINE OF STEAMERS.
NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

S.S. "SHIMOSA,"
FROM NEW YORK, STRAITS AND MANILA.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, at Kowloon, whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 29th instant, will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 31st May, or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 29th instant, at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by DODWELL & Co., LIMITED, Agents.
Hongkong, 23rd May, 1902.

Today's Advertisements.

WANTED.

AN ENGLISHMAN with thorough knowledge of BOOKKEEPING, AUDITING, &c., also SHORTHAND and TYPEWRITING, desires position as above, or any other business capacity, either Temporary or Permanent.
Apply "NEGOCIO,"
C/o The Hongkong Telegraph.
Hongkong, 23rd May, 1902.

LOST.

LOST between PEAK and WAH SHING'S STORE, Queen's Road, A GOLD SCARF PIN with PEARL.
Reward on returning to "J.F.M."
C/o Bradley & Co.,
6, Des Vaux Road.
Hongkong, 23rd May, 1902.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship

"CHUSAN,"
FROM BOMBAY, COLOMBO AND STRAITS.

Consignees of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, and/or Company's Lighters where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed. This vessel brings on Cargo:-
From London, &c., ex S.S. *Arctadia*.
From Australia, &c., ex S.S. *Australia*.
From Persian Gulf, ex B. I. S. N. and B. & P. S. N. Co.'s Steamers.

Optional Goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary before 1 P.M. TO-DAY.

Goods not cleared by the 29th instant, at 4 P.M., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

All damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns and a certificate of the damage, obtained from the Godown Company within ten days after the Vessel's arrival here, after which no Claims will be recognised.

E. A. HEWETT, Superintendent.
Hongkong, 23rd May, 1902.

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM YOKOHAMA AND KOBE.
THE Steamship

"AUSTRIA,"
having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, whence delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Claims must be sent in to the Office of the Undersigned before Noon, on the 29th instant, or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any Goods remaining in the Godowns, after the 29th instant, will be subject to rent.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by SANDER, WIELER & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, 23rd May, 1902.

Intimation.

A. S. WATSON AND CO., LTD.

ESTABLISHED A.D. 1841.

WINE AND SPIRIT MERCHANTS.

SHERRY.

B. Superior Pale Dry, Dinner Wine, Green Seal Capsule \$10.80 \$0.90

C. Manzanilla, Pale Natural Sherry, White Capsule 12.00 1.00

C.C. Superior Old Dry, Pale Natural Sherry, Red Seal Capsule 14.40 1.20

D. Very Superior Old Pale Dry, Choice Old Wine, White Seal Capsule 16.70 1.35

E. Extra Superior Old Pale Dry, Very Finest Quality (old bottled), Black Seal Capsule 24.00 2.00

B, C, and CC are excellent Dinner Wines, D and E are After-Dinner Wines of a very fine vintage.

ALL ARE SUPERIOR XERES WINES.

The following Wines, bottled in Europe, have been specially selected, and procured from the celebrated firm of Messrs. Geo. G. SANDEMAN, Sons & Co., of London, Oporto and Xeres:-

Per doz. Per bot.

LIGHT DRY \$16.00 \$1.25

SOLERA 21.00 1.75

VERY PALE DRY 21.00 1.75

FULL GOLDEN 24.00 2.00

PALE DRY BUTTY 27.00 2.25

FINE OLD BROWN 36.00 3.00

MADIRA.

Per doz. Per bot.

GOOD 15.00 1.25

FINE 24.00 2.00

A. S. WATSON & Co., LIMITED.

The Hongkong Dispensary

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, FRIDAY, MAY 23, 1902.

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

THE VOLCANIC ERUPTIONS.

RENEWED ACTIVITY AT MARTINIQUE.

LONDON, May 21st.

There is a panic at Fort de France, Martinique, owing to an alarming increase in activity of the volcano Mount Pelée. The inhabitants are taking refuge on board the ships in their nightclothes, and are fleeing to the island of Guadalupe.

THE TEA TRADE OF GREAT BRITAIN.

The Board of Trade Returns show that the consumption of tea in Great Britain during 1900 (? 1901) exceeded six pounds per head per annum, as compared with only five pounds in 1886. The proportion is about 34 pounds Indian, 24 pounds Ceylon, and one third of a pound China. The imports of China teas continue to diminish relatively and absolutely.

CRICKET.

THE AUSTRALIANS IN ENGLAND.

The Australians have beaten Leicestershire by seven wickets.

RESIGNATION OF FRENCH PREMIER.

M. Waldeck-Rousseau, French Premier and Minister of the Interior, has resigned. It is stated that he retires from active politics in view of his eventual candidature for the presidency.

THE TSAR AND PRESIDENT LOUBET.

A brilliant banquet has been given by His Majesty the Tsar in honour of President Loubet. Toasts were exchanged dwelling on their brotherhood in arms, and on the defensive objects of the alliance between the two nations.

THE PEACE CONFERENCES.

Six Boer delegates chosen at Vereeniging, consisting of the members of the late Transvaal and Orange Free State governments with Commandants Dewet and Delarey, have arrived at Pretoria, where Lord Milner has also arrived.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE CIVILIAN CLUB announces a picnic for next Sunday.

OBITUARY.—Captain James H. T. Burke, C.B., of H.M.S. *Orlando*, has died at sea.

CHOLERA IN HONGKONG.—The return during the 24 hours ended at noon to-day shows five cases.

THE REV. C. H. HICKING, who has arrived in Hongkong to take up the pastorate of the Union Church is the subject of a paragraph in our London letter.

A BEACHCOMBER.—William Dawson was sent to prison this morning for 7 days for being drunk and disorderly in the Hongkong Hotel on the 22nd inst.

LARCENY.—A fluter, living at No. 9, Nullah Lane was this morning sent to prison for two months, for stealing two brass bearings, and one brass flange value \$10, the property of the Naval Authorities, on the 22nd inst.

HON. J. GARDINER AUSTIN.—The death is announced of the Hon. J. Gardiner Austin, who had long been a familiar figure in Barbados. He was the son of the late Mr. Gardiner Austin, C. M. G., formerly Colonial Secretary at Hongkong.

JAPANESE CARTOGRAPHY.—The Japanese Amur Society has completed a map measuring 160" by 140" entitled *Far Eastern Spheres of Russian Enterprise*. The map includes Korea, Manchuria, and Mongolia, and is printed in English, Chinese, and Japanese. Prince Konoye, the President of the Society, has sent copies of the Map to the Emperor of China and the Empress Dowager.

BY KIND PERMISSION of Lieut. Col. Baillie and Officers, the Band of the 22nd Bombay Infantry will play at the Hongkong Hotel to-morrow (Saturday) evening, from 8 to 9.30 p.m.:

"PROGRAMME."

1. March, "Bellegarde".....Brepsant.
2. Polka, "Bonnie Bouchie".....Walden.
3. Selection, "Reminiscence of Vard".....Godfrey.
4. Valse, "My Queen".....Cotie.
5. Gavotte, "L'Union".....Pindie.
6. Selection, "The Belle of New York".....Godfrey.
"God save the King."

DEATH OF INSPECTOR GENERAL WATSON R.N.—The death is reported of Inspector-General A. Watson R.N., retired.

Dr. Watson was surgeon of the *Cornwall* on the China Station and mentioned in despatches for services rendered at the attack on the Peiho Forts in May, 1858, and the following year was wounded at the second attack on the same forts. For his services he had the China medal clasp for Taku. He subsequently served as fleet surgeon in the *Galathea* and on the staff of the Duke of Edinburgh on his visit to India, China, and Japan, and as fleet surgeon in the *Scorpio* with the King when, as Prince of Wales, His Majesty visited India in 1876-77.

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THE JAPANESE DESTROYER SHIRAKUMO arrived this morning from London, via Singapore.

ALONGSIDE OF H.M.S. TERRIBLE.—Three boatmen were each fined \$3 for lying their boats alongside of H.M.S. *Terrible* without the permission of the Commanding Officer. They were previously cautioned to move on, but took no notice.CHOLERA IN SHANGHAI.—Cholera has broken out in Shanghai, and numbers of deaths have taken place. On the 15th inst. two men from the French cruiser *Friant*, now in port, were carried off by this disease, and on the following day the pestilence claimed another victim.

POLLUTING THE WATER.—A chair coolie was this morning fined \$4 or 10 days for polluting the water in the gutter bed in Bowen Road. A private of the 5th H.L.C. happened to be near the R. A. Mess, and saw the defendant go to the tank to wash his hands and mouth, and after drinking some water spit it back into the tank.

RECEIVING 5 TONS OF STOLEN COAL.—A boatman was this morning charged with receiving 5 tons of coal, value \$374, the property of the Mitsui Bussan Kaisha, well knowing the same to have been stolen. It appears that about midnight on the 5th inst. P.S. No. 155, while on board of a police boat, saw defendants' junk go between two lighters and heard coal being shovelled into it. He boarded the junk and found the coal which the boatmen could not account for. Sentenced to 14 days.

HONGKONG STAMPS.—We noted in our last issue, says the *L. & C. Express*, that Shanghai can mail its home letters through the British Post-office there at 4 cents the 102 penny postage, just as in the British colony of Hongkong. This at least is not the only port in China that can do so, for the French mail just brings us letters from Foochow that bear only 4 cents in Hongkong stamps. Meanwhile letters posted outwards have to bear the 24d. rate. The anomaly seems, as we have already remarked, is a trifle curious.

A STRANGE STORY.—It has been reported to the police, by Chi Chun Suen, of 47 Bonham Street, that he sent a foki yesterday to a native Bank to draw \$10,000. The man returned to the shop with the book but minus the money, and when questioned made a rambling statement to the effect that he put the money—all in \$25 bills—in his waist pocket, and in coming out of the bank some one stole it without his perceiving it. The police had the man arrested at once and charged him with stealing it. The case was called on this morning and remanded for a week.

INDO-CHINA.—The Annamite Mission, which came to France with the Governor-General of Indo-China, has been presented to the President of the Republic by M. Doumer. After the usual exchange of compliments, the Chief of the Mission handed to M. Loubet an autograph letter from his King, and made a speech, reminding M. Loubet that his King had already previously written to him, and that he is desirous of coming to France himself to express to him his gratitude. The President said that the Government of the Republic would always be solicitous for the welfare and prosperity of Indo-China.

FRANCE'S EASTERN SQUADRON.—We have noted the decision of the French Government to create a French squadron to be known as the "Navy Force of the Eastern Seas." The memorandum on the subject states that the new squadron, which is to make extensive cruises throughout the year is intended to afford valuable training for the officers and men of the fleet. Having its bases at Saigon, Diego Suarez, and Noumea, the station assigned to the squadron will include the Indian Ocean, the China and Japan Seas, and the Pacific. During the cruises each division will undertake tactical exercises and evolutions, and "more particularly those which would be required by their operations in war time in the Eastern seas. An effort will be made to draft as many sub-lieutenants and young lieutenants as may be possible to the new force, and with this object a special roster of service is to be made. The period of service with the squadron will be two years, and it is remarked that the young officers, having already visited most of the ports of the Atlantic in the training ships, will, in a manner, complete their professional education in the Eastern seas.

A CLASP FOR TIENTSIN.—Fair Play writes from the Conservative Club, St. James's street, to *The Times* for a clasp for the operations around Tientsin in 1900. He truly points out that there can be little doubt that, if the foreign settlements at Tientsin had been overpowered, or the attack on the native city repulsed, an immense impetus would have been given to the anti-foreign movement. The capture of Tientsin cost the Allies about 800 killed and wounded, the British naval contingent alone losing 20 killed and 140 wounded during the four weeks' continuous fighting, while the loss of the stormers at Taku was, I believed, about 125. [This is much above the figure—ED., *L. & C. Express*]. It will seem to most people, I think, that the British sailors and soldiers who had so considerable a share in this fighting are fairly entitled to a clasp; nor is it surprising that keen disappointment should be expressed at the omission.

In the House of Peers on the 24th ult. The Master of Elibank asked the Secretary to the Admiralty whether he would consider the advisability of recommending the issue of a clasp, inscribed "Tientsin," to the British Naval and Military, engaged in the operations which included the defence of Tientsin and the capture of the Peking Arsenal.

Mr. Arnold-Forster said: "The services of the British forces operating at Tientsin and Peking have not been overlooked. The operations were part of those which have for their object the relief of Peking and the forces engaged receive for their gallant conduct a clasp with the words 'Relief of Peking' inscribed on it."

THE GUNBOAT FLOVER, recently refitted, from the China Station, paid off at Devonport on May 3.

COLONEL HERON, senior ordnance officer at Aldershot of the First Army Corps, has been appointed chief ordnance officer at Hongkong.

CAPT. C. G. PRITCHARD.—It is officially notified in the *Gazette* that Captain C. G. Pritchard, Royal Artillery, is granted the local rank of Major whilst employed as Commandant of the Hongkong Volunteers.

THEFT OF GOVERNMENT PROPERTY.—A servant boy, in the employ of Kennedy Town Hospital, has been charged by the Wardmaster for stealing one tin of milk, one box of soap, one bottle of brandy and some tea, the property of the Government. He was sentenced to one month with hard labour.

THE JAPANESE MINISTER will distribute the prizes at speech day of Leys School, Cambridge, on June 6. Several young Japanese have been educated at Leys School, while the headmaster, the Rev. W. T. A. Barber, is a gentleman well acquainted with the ways and peoples of the Orient with whom he laboured for many years.

GOVERNOR TING DENOUNCED.—Governor Ting of Kwangsi is reported to have been denounced by a certain censor who charges him with having encouraged the uprising in Kwangsi, and of having failed to render his report immediately upon the outbreak of the disturbances. The censor says that Governor Ting is largely responsible for the present state of affairs in Kwangsi, Kwangtung and Yunnan.

THE CRUISER AMPHITRITE, Captain Charles Windham, on 22nd inst. returned to Sheerness Harbour from her commissioned steam trial, which proved satisfactory. She was officially inspected in Sheerness Harbour by Vice-Admiral Markham, Commander-in-Chief at the Nore, on completing the preparations for his departure for China to relieve the *Orlando*. The *Amphitrite* was expected to sail for Hongkong, on the 26th ult. to join the flag of Vice-Admiral Sir Cyprian A. G. Bridge.

WITH THE CORONATION CONTINGENT.

OFF WOOSUNG BAR.

(From Our Special Representative.)

The post not having left and a few items of news being available, I send you a short account of how we spent the time since 11th to-day, the 16th May. After another jolly good meal, most of us went on deck to read and write, but we had not long to wait ere the bugle summoned us to the poop where we had half an hour's drill with the carbines. This finished, the majority of the men cleaned arms and, at 5.30, morechow was ready to which we all did justice.

While going up the river, we passed the old river boat, *Peiing*, bound for Hankow, and they gave us a hearty cheer. The weather is beautiful and we are all feeling very fit with the exception of Gunner J. Mitchell who, I am sorry to say, is down with fever and ague, no doubt due to a cold which he caught the previous night when he slept on deck and got wet through. We arrived off Woosung Bar at 6.30 p.m. and a quarter of an hour later the Port Medical Officer of Health came on board and examined the whole of the crew and passengers. Of course, we had to undergo

THE SAME ORDEAL.

and came out with flying colours. I might mention that we had no idea there was such a large Chinese crew on board—no less than 303 steerage passengers.

The old guard has been strengthened, no doubt owing to the large number of Chinese, Gunners S. L. Jenkins, J. W. Kew, and L. R. Lammert now undertaking these duties. By the way, we are not supplied a proper bath though certain members have proved themselves equal to the occasion, and every morning manage to get hold of the hose and allow the salt water to play upon them. We have plenty of fun and a great game among the boys is "Bung the barrel." Another game is about to be started so I must conclude. We leave here to-morrow morning and should arrive at Nagasaki on Monday, the 19th inst.

C. L. K.

COLONIALS' CAMP.

HOW THE TROOPS FOR THE CORONATION WILL BE DEALT WITH.

As was generally anticipated, says an exchange, the War Office have accepted the offer of the Alexandria Palace Trustees to accommodate the Colonial troops for the Coronation festivities, and in a few weeks time the Palace grounds will be studded with tents and picturesque with the brilliant and distinctive uniforms of many nationalities.

The troops will number 2,500, of which 750 will be men of color. Each colony will have its own camp, and the whole of the troops with the exception of some 350 from tropical climates will be encamped in the grounds. English-speaking Colonials are to be encamped in the Grove, while the blacks will pitch their tents in the north-east corner of the grounds near the lake.

The troops from the tropics will be found sleeping accommodation in the baunting hall, while the officers will be quartered in the range of rooms on the first floor facing the south terrace. The officers' mess will be provided for in the still room, the gym and the billiard room, and of course of those natives whose children are at school will have food and lodging in the training school.

THE DUTY OF THE CORONATION CONTINGENT has been placed in the hands of Messrs. Bennett, who are now at the disposal of the Government.

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onials in 1897. This firm has arranged to provide for the officers at 75 p. per head, and for the men at 45 p. per head per day. Such of the troops as will want special diet and insist on cooking it themselves will receive the raw material to cook at their own camp fires.

Military headquarters are to be provided, so that no Colonial will be asked to sleep on the floor. In fact, everything is being done to make the visitors feel that they are the guests of the nation.

The troops will commence to arrive some three weeks or a month before the coronation festivities.

Special entertainments will be arranged at the Palace both for the Colonials and the public.

WELCOME AND FAREWELL.

The idea of the trustees, with the consent of the officers, is to give two days to a welcome and farewell to the troops. On these days a shilling will be charged for admission. The trustees also hope that it may be possible to obtain the presence of the King or Lord Roberts at a review of the whole troops.

Horses for the Colonial will be provided by the military authorities from Aldershot, and arrangements have been made for the tethering for a week of 2,000 horses in a field adjacent to the Grove.

The Palace authorities are charging the War Office no rent for the use of the Palace and grounds, and all the direct benefit which will accrue to the Palace will be the percentage on the enterprisers' takings. In return the War Office have given an undertaking to put the Palace and grounds in the same state as they find it.

THE CORONATION.

COLONIAL REPRESENTATIVES WHO WILL BE "ROYAL GUESTS."

The following is the official list of the Colonial Governors and Premiers who will attend the coronation as royal guests to represent the Colonies concerned:

Mediterranean.—General Sir Francis Wallace Grenfell, G.C.B., G.C.M.G.

Eastern Colonies.—The Right Hon. Sir Joseph West Ridgeway, G.C.M.G., K.C.B., K.C.S.I.

West Indies, etc.—Sir Walter Joseph Sedall, G.C.M.G.

West Africa.—Sir William MacGregor, M.D., K.C.M.G., C.B.

Canada.—The Right Hon. Sir Wilfrid Laurier, G.C.M.G.

Commonwealth of Australia.—The Right Hon. Edmund Barton, K.C.

New Zealand.—The Right Hon. Richard John Seddon.

Cape and Saint Helena.—The Right Hon. Sir John Gordon Prigg, K.C.M.G.

Natal.—Lieutenant-Colonel the Hon. Sir Albert Henry Hime, R.E., K.C.M.G.

Newfoundland.—The Hon. Sir Robert Bond, K.C.M.G.

Other royal guests: His Highness the Sultan of Perak, G.C.M.G.; Lewanika, Paramount Chief of the Barotsa Kingdom.

WEI-HAI-WEI.

(From our own Correspondent.)

WEI-HAI-WEI, March 18th. The Hon. J. H. Stewart Lockhart arrived here on the 3rd inst. in typical Wei-hai-wei weather. It was a fair, still May morning when the First Civil Commissioner of Wei-hai-wei made his first acquaintance with his new sphere. The *Taipei*, looking quite imposing in her grey war-paint, rode into the harbour at 10 a.m., and the salute of 11 guns rang out. A short visit was made to the Island, after which Mr. Lockhart, with Mrs. Lockhart, following in one of the *Orestes*, pinnaces, crossed to the Mainland in the launch *Sylvia*. They were received by

A GUARD OF HONOUR of 100 men of the Chinese Regiment drawn up on the jetty, and proceeded to their residence in the new house at the west end of the port. The day began so finely ended with a sou' wester from which Old Moore, or any of his biographer, prognosticators would foretell that after an era of prosperity there would be "troubled times" for us. But we will indulge in no such gloomy speculations. We believe there will be the era of prosperity without the troublous times.

The Chinese Regiment is to be represented at

THE CORONATION.

A selected company of 12 men under Captain James has left for London. And thereby hangs a tale—amusing enough, yet with a serious side. The two cardinal facts of the tale are these: (1) that the one who has seen most service with the Regiment since its inception, and the one upon whom everyone expected the choice to fall, is not Captain James, but Captain Barnes; (2) that Captain James' paternal relation is in the War Office. Add to this the fact that shortly after Captain James had left, the claims of Captain Barnes received belated recognition, and he was wired for to accompany the contingent. The incident was to all appearances about to resolve itself into the unedifying spectacle of these two gentlemen engaging in a race for the Coronation, and finishing up, perhaps, with

A DEAD HEAT AT THE ABNEY. Captain Barnes started, doubtless with the intention of rivaling the immortal Phineas Fogg, but succeeded in getting no further than the Island, where a telegram of a negative character reached him—so that the race is "off." The serious side of the story is obvious, the moral need not be pressed, and the story is told with no intention of drawing any invidious comparisons between the officers concerned, but to show how the War Office is keeping up its reputation for muddling.

COTTAM & CO. FOR GENTS' BATHING GEAR.

The incident throws an instructive side-light on the "disbanding" of the Regiment. In truth, that event seems farther off now than when it was first announced as impending, for there is now some talk of raising it to a strength of 1500 men. In passing, I may mention that Captain Barnes has brought out a book dealing with the history and doings of the Regiment, including the fighting about Tientsin. The book, whose appearance is most opportune, is published by Grant Richards.

The *Argonaut* has sinned. Somewhere south she picked up a case of small-pox. She has therefore not been allowed to enter the harbour. The unfortunate patient is

INCARCERATED.

on Wao, or Sun Island, with several miles of sea around him, while the *Argonaut* moored at the extreme end of the Bay, looks very much like the naughty boy (or perhaps I ought to say, girl) in the corner.

Another arrival is the four-masted sailing-ship *Earl of Dundonald*, which left Cardiff for this port at the end of last year with 2000 tons of Welsh coal. She has taken 163 days on the voyage and this is the first port she put in to. In her long journey she has had samples of all weathers.

FROM CALMS TO TYPHOONS.

Nevertheless she arrived all trim and taut, and farms by no means the least picturesque object in the broad Bay. Close beside her is a £50,000 collier of a more usual type, new and of the most approved pattern. The engine-room etc. are right aft and the whole of the rest of the ship is given over to bunkers and "Temperleys." The two vessels afford an interesting study in beauty and ability respectively.

We have had more than the normal quantity of rain for this time of the year, which fact promises for us

"A SUMMER OF ROSES AND WINE."

(I speak figuratively.) And if only all Chinamen with tree-killing propensities could be deported for a short season to some peaceful retreat, they would hardly be able to recognize the place when they came back. However, I fear Wei-Hai-Wei will be open to such unkind observations as that it suggests at first sight "a colder Eden," etc. till either the wholesale destruction of everything green is stopped, or the Government purchases the seaward slopes of the hills overlooking Narcissus and Half Moon Bays. Our three most pressing needs may be put into a nutshell as follows:—

WANTED.

Trees (perennial preferred) for Narcissus and Half Moon Bays.

A Row or English Villas " " "

A Railway to Chefoo. " " "

Any philanthropist, any public-spirited person who spends his life and wealth for the good of his fellow men may put in for the first. The second is strongly recommended for any company, or private individual with a little capital at his disposal. This would not be philanthropy, for it is a good investment; and when dividends come in (we all know) philanthropy ceases. There must be hundreds of people who would come to Wei-Hai-Wei for a holiday, but for the fact that the taking of a bungalow for the season, or a stay for any length of time at the Hotel would involve too great a stretching of the purse. The third, I fear, involves questions of high policy—at which we poor mortals, having had the temerity to suggest, can only look and wonder from afar. For all that, it is much to be desired.

OUR LONDON LETTER.

(From our own Correspondent.)

LONDON, April 25th.

That we are all

STILL TALKING PEACE.

It is perhaps a work of supererogation to mention, yet as corn tax debate, fire, Spion Kop muddle, and other attractions seem powerless to relegate this one subject to the background, it may fairly claim to be the topic of the week. I cannot truthfully say that there is any reason for the increased optimism noticeable in official circles, at least any reason with which the general public is acquainted, but the fact remains that the larger proportion of society is disposed to regard peace as in sight. It is dangerous to prophesy unless you know, yet if any reliance is to be placed on those still at the front; the prospect of an immediate settlement is not overwhelmingly great. The middle of May is the most sanguine date as yet suggested, but if the War is ended in time for the Coronation, some people at any rate, will be agreeably surprised. On fairly credible authority it is stated that the Transvaalers are willing to surrender, but that Mr. Steyn, de Wet and their band of desperadoes will prove the difficulty. I also heard yesterday that very much more importance is attached by the Boers to the return of Mr. Kruger to South Africa, than we in England are accustomed to believe. Of course this may be so but we have learned something of the character of our "brother" during the last two years and that experience does not point to the probability of any mere sentimental consideration for the feelings of another, being permitted by the Boers to stand in the way of a settlement really desired.

A member of the Government is quoted as expressing himself certain of the success of the present movement, but as I have not obtained a first hand confirmation of this speech from the gentlemen concerned, I cannot name him. In any case it was probably a regretted indiscretion.

Envoys have been despatched from the "Old man of Helvetia" to the active leaders, and it is anticipated that the delay, requested by Boer was more for the object of receiving these messengers, that he might be able to consult his burghers.

Seeing that the British authorities are well aware of the route taken by recruits and munitions of war sent from Europe to the Boers, it

may be hoped that these emissaries, whose voice is certain to be against peace, will not be permitted to exert the baneful influence of their presence among the commandos. Considering all things it is a little surprising that the anxiety should be so keen for a conclusion of the strife, for though the man-in-the-street still expresses himself as determined to fight on, rather than compromise, yet he is not deeply enough stirred by his own convictions to feel indignation at the more supine attitude of his professional leaders. To the Press of England belongs the proud distinction of responsibility for such enthusiasm as remains among us. It is not that John Bull is a weakling now, any more than in the dark days of December 99, but his constitutional lethargy is once more in the ascendant; and but for the stirring language of the responsible daily journals, he might even be disposed to allow it to completely master him.

In the intervals of discussing the Peace question—public attention has once more been turned towards

SPION KOP AFFAIRS.

The despatches relating to that unhappy muddle were published the end of last week, and the long delayed action of the Government at once provoked a reply from Sir Redvers Buller. Regretfully it must be admitted that the papers in this was not exactly convincing as a defence. Whether the strictures upon Sir Charles Warren were warranted or not, whether any or all the commanders blundered, no longer remains the paramount point. Sir Redvers admits in so many words, that though the movements appeared to him grossly mismanaged, though precious lives were hourly endangered and lost, through what he believed to be the grave incompetence of the general to whose keeping he had entrusted them, nevertheless tenderness for the reputation of this one soldier induced him to set aside that power of intervention which was in the circumstances his bounden duty to exercise as the chief servant of the Empire.

By his own admission, General Buller gives away his defence, and no man can longer doubt that, for some cause or another, he certainly blundered, at least on this occasion. This fact of course in no way exonerates the Government for the improper treatment which Sir Redvers Buller subsequently suffered. Knowing what they did, the War Office authorities would have been abundantly justified, had they passed over the Natal Commander, when selecting the generals for the chief Army positions at home; but that is quite a different matter from appointing a man, and subsequently, on the first opportunity, dismissing him in disgrace. The moral of the whole sad business is, however, not personal but National—Questions of military tactics and discipline must not be the subject of newspaper wrangle, it is conducive neither to the good of the Service, the reputation of individual officers, nor the wise conduct of the Department.

A rising out of Buller's letter came a brief and dignified protest from Sir Charles Warren, who, throughout the two years dispute, has, hitherto maintained absolute silence. Even now he enters upon no polemics, contenting himself with the expression of a conviction, which is, it is to be feared unfounded, that the Government, having published so much, will now reveal the remaining documents, which, in his opinion remove the stigma which Sir Redvers Buller's despatches attaches to him and to his subordinates. There is just a suggestion that as a last resource Sir Charles Warren will follow the example already set, and take steps to justify himself and those under him should the War Office adhere to the determination to move no further in the matter. Such action would be perfectly natural in the circumstances, but all those who have the best interests of the Army at heart, hope that no more newspaper battles will be fought over this miserable incident. The outside world has been sufficiently scandalized as it is. This view is taken even by those who hold most strongly that the most serious blunders in this connection have been committed by the Government rather than by the various military men concerned.

A NEW COLONIAL CLUB has just been started for Women. The Ladies Empire Club has acquired premises at Whitehall Court, and thought many leading social lights are becoming members, and titles predominate on the Committee, yet it is primarily founded for the entertainment of British Women Visitors on returning to England for the Coronation festivities. Colonial visitors pay only one guinea for the season, but the subscription is of course higher for members permanently residing in London. Lady Mary Lygon is the moving spirit.

THE REV. C. H. HICKING who is just leaving England to take up the pastorate of the Union Church in Hongkong will prove a welcome addition to the intellectual life of the city. He was for some time minister of the Eastbourne Congregational Church, and during the last year or two has been Chaplain to the Polytechnic in Regent Street, where his tact, skill, and learning has gained for him an enviable reputation.

PLAGUE RETURNS.

A return showing (a) the Number of Cases of Bubonic Fever (Plague) which have been notified as occurring in Hongkong, during two days ended noon of 23rd May, 1902; and (b) the localities in which they have occurred.

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COTTAM & CO. FOR SUMMER UNDERWEAR.

Intimations.

CHINA LIGHT AND POWER CO., LIMITED.

THE FIRST ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICE, No. 14, Des Vaux Road, TOMORROW, the 24th instant, at 11 A.M., for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the General Managers for the year ending 28th February, 1902, and electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 29th to the 24th instant, both Days inclusive.

SHEWAN, TOMES & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, 23rd May, 1902. [537]

TO ALL TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.

I, ABDULLA FUCEKERA, of Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong, Supply Contractor to His Majesty's Forces in Hongkong, DO HEREBY GIVE NOTICE that from and after this Date I and my family intend to assume and use the name of ARCUILLI instead of by the names of ABDULLA FUCEKERA only.

Give under my hand at Hongkong this 12th day of May, 1902.

ABDULLA FUCEKERA ARCUILLI. [538]

NAVAL COALING DEPOT, KOWLOON.

ERECTION OF MATCHED, MAKING UP AND LEVELLING GROUND, &c.

TENDERS are invited for the above Works. Drawings, Specification and Conditions of Contract may be seen and Form of Tender obtained at the Office of the Superintendent Civil Engineer, H.M. Naval Yard, on and after FRIDAY, the 23rd instant. Sealed Tenders marked "TENDER FOR MATCHED, &c." are to be delivered on or before WEDNESDAY, the 28th instant, at Noon, addressed to the Superintendent Civil Engineer, H.M. Naval Yard.

The Lowest of any Tender will not necessarily be accepted.

Hongkong, 22nd May, 1902. [570d]

WANTED BOOKKEEPER.

YOUNG, not over 30, to take charge of Commercial Books. Must have good references.

Apply to "A.G.I.S." C/o This Office. Hongkong, 22nd May, 1902. [569d]

NAVAL CONTRACT.

1902-03.

SEALED TENDERS in Duplicate will be received by the VICTUALLING STORE OFFICER until NOON, on MONDAY, the 16th June, 1902, for the SUPPLY of TEA for the use of H.M. Navy, for One year ending 31st August, 1903.

Forms of Tenders and further Particulars can be obtained at the Victualling Store Officer's Office.

Samples to accompany Tenders. The right to reject the lowest or any Tender is reserved. Hongkong Victualling Yard, 20th May, 1902. [567d]

HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

MEMBERS are informed that NEW RULES and REGULATIONS have been drawn up, a few copies of which may be obtained on application to the Honorary Secretary.

A GENERAL MEETING of the MEMBERS is called for MONDAY, the 26th instant, at 5.15 P.M., to be held (by kind permission of The Commandant) at Volunteer Headquarters.

MOWBRAY, S. NORTHCOTE, Hon. Secretary. Hongkong, 16th May, 1902. [531]

CORONATION CELEBRATION FUND.

THE Undersigned will be glad to receive Subscriptions towards the above Fund. Lists may be found at the HONGKONG HOTEL, HONGKONG CLUB, HONGKONG DISPENSARY, MESSRS. LANE, CRAWFORD & CO., KELLY & WALSH, LD., W. BREWER & CO., and at the various Banks.

J. R. M. SMITH, Hon. Treasurer. Hongkong, 7th May, 1902. [532d]

BRITISH NORTH BORNEO.

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AN EXPERIENCED FOREMAN for a Government Timber Mill. Must be thoroughly acquainted with the erection and management of Timber-cutting Machinery. Forward copies of recent testimonials and state Salary required to

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MRS. WATLING, Proprietress. Hongkong, 1st May, 1902. [494d]

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No. 10, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL. Hongkong, 15th May, 1902. [526c]

WILLIAM MACLEOD, D.D.S.,

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Beaconsfield Arcade, Nos. 11 and 12, 2nd Floor. [572d]

Intimations.

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The attention of consumers is drawn to the fact that the Undersigned, being Sole Agents for

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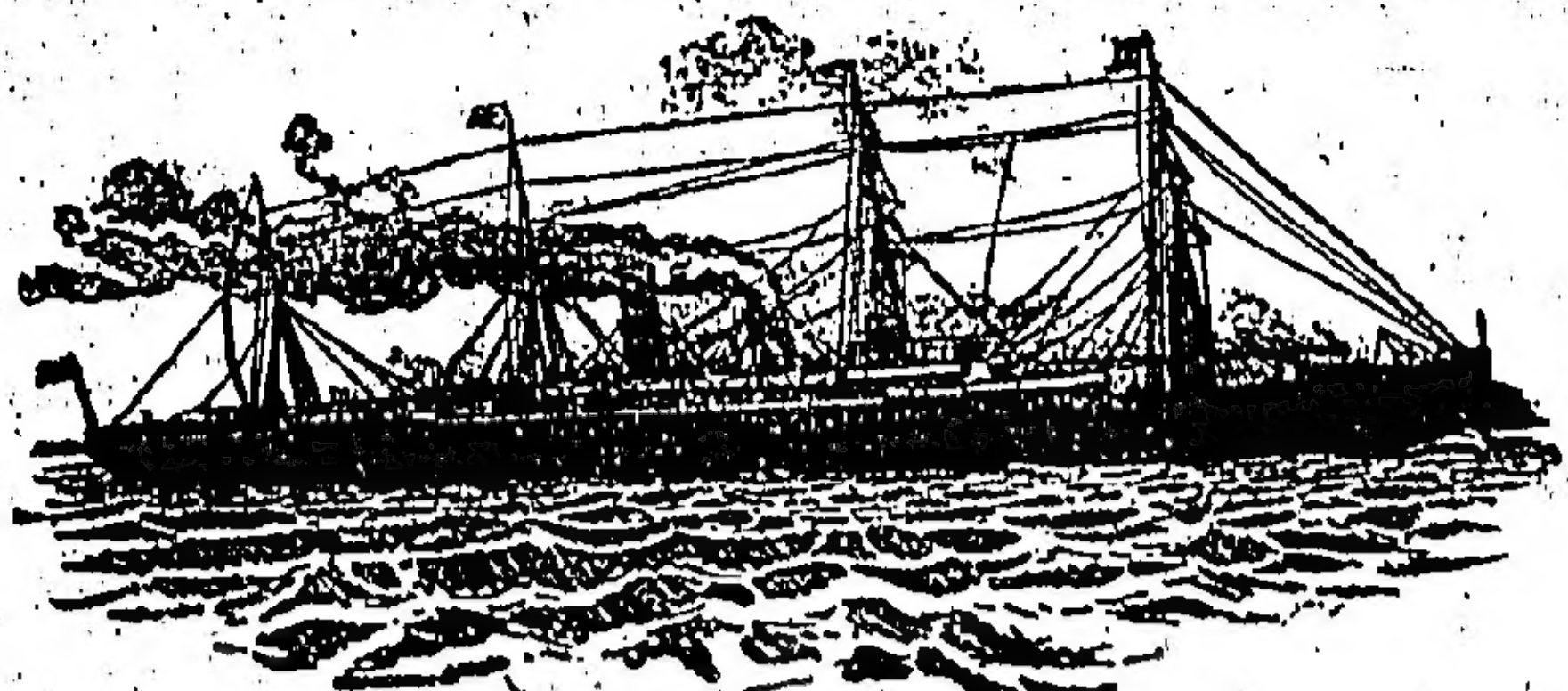
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CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA AND EUROPE;

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

"CHINA"	SATURDAY, 31st May, at Noon.
"DORIC"	SATURDAY, 7th June, at Noon.
"NIPPON MARU"	TUESDAY, 17th June, at Noon.
"PERU"	TUESDAY, 24th June, at Noon.
"COPTIC"	THURSDAY, 3rd July, at Noon.
"AMERICA MARU"	SATURDAY, 12th July, at Noon.

THE P. M. Company's Steamship "CHINA," will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on SATURDAY, the 31st instant, at Noon, taking Freight for Japan, the United States, and Europe. Passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point en route.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States and Canada.

Passengers holding through ORDERS TO EUROPE have the choice of the Overland Rail Routes from San Francisco, including the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO GRANDE, and NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY; also the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY on payment of £4 in addition to the regular tariff rate.

Passengers holding Orders for OVERLAND CITIES in the United States have between SAN FRANCISCO and CHICAGO, the option of the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO GRANDE, and other direct connecting Railways, and from Chicago to destination the choice of direct lines. Special rates (first-class only) to European Ports, are granted to Missionaries, Members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic and Consular Services, and European Civil Service Officials located in Asia, and to European Officials in the Service of the Governments of China and Japan.

TO UNITED STATES AND CANADIAN PORTS, Special rates (first class only) are confined and will apply only to Missionaries, Members of the Naval and Military Services, and to Consular and Diplomatic Officials of the Governments of China and Japan.

Return Passage—Reduction will be made to passengers who do not hold return tickets, making the return journey between ports in the Orient and Honolulu or beyond, within twelve months.

Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States, via Overland Railway, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, by the Companies' and connecting Steamers.

Freight will be received on board until 4 P.M. the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages will be received at the Office until 5 P.M. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

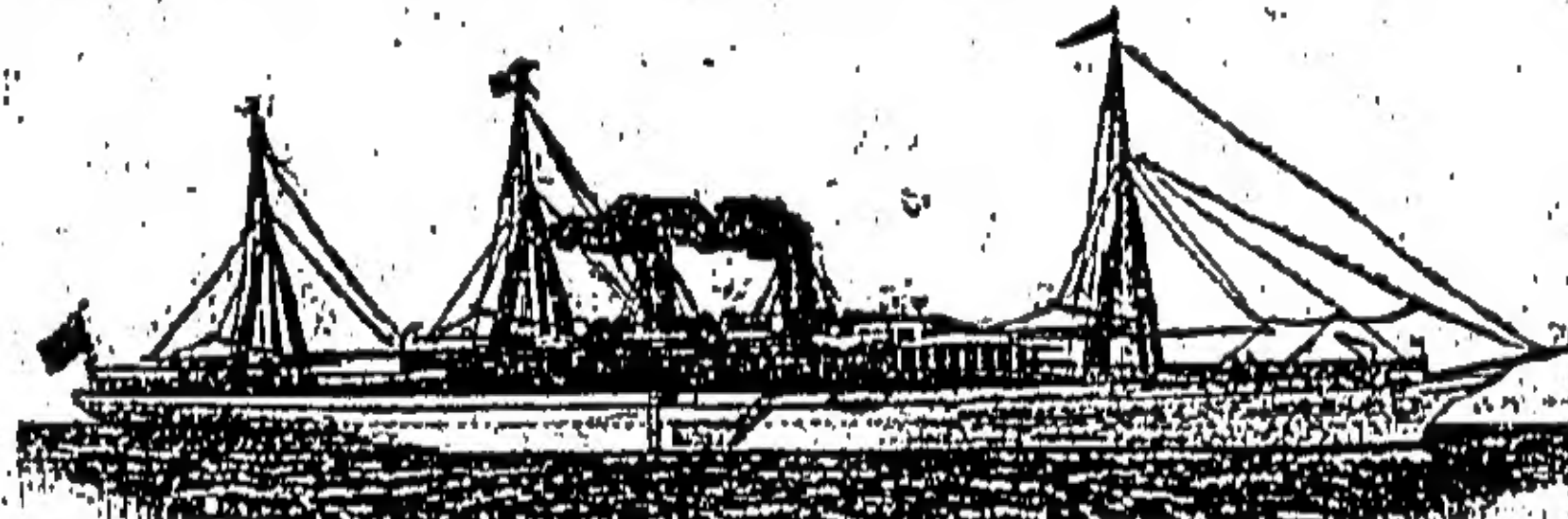
Consular Invoices to accompany each shipment of Cargo or parcel (valued at \$100. Gold or over) destined to Ports, beyond San Francisco, in the United States, should be sent to the Companies' Office addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

Merchant's Invoice will be sufficient for cargo or parcel (each shipment) when the value is less than \$100. U.S. Gold.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Companies, Queen's Building.

J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.

Hongkong, 23rd May, 1902.

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY COY.'S
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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

R.M.S. EMPRESS OF CHINA	Comdr. R. Archibald, R.N.R. WEDNESDAY, 4th June.
"TARTAR"	Comdr. E. Beetham, R.N.R. SATURDAY, 21st June.
EMPRESS OF INDIA	Comdr. O.P. Marshall, R.N.R. WEDNESDAY, 25th June.
EMPRESS OF JAPAN	Comdr. H. Pybus, R.N.R. WEDNESDAY, 16th July.
ATHENIAN	Comdr. H. Mowatt, R.N.R. SATURDAY, 26th July.

THE magnificent Twin-screw Steamships of this Line pass through the famous INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and usually make the voyage YOKOHAMA TO VANCOUVER (B.C.) in 12 DAYS, saving THREE DAYS to a WEEK in the Trans-Pacific journey, and make connection at Vancouver with the PALATIAL OVERLAND TRAINS OF THE CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY which leave daily, and cross the Continent FROM THE PACIFIC TO THE ATLANTIC WITHOUT CHANGE. Close connection is made at Montreal, Quebec, Halifax, New York and Boston with all Trans-Atlantic Lines, which passengers to Great Britain and the Continent are given choice of.

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Return tickets to various ports at reduced rates, Good for 4, 6, 9 and 12 months.

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THE DINING CARS AND MOUNTAIN HOTELS of this route are owned and operated by the Company, and their appointments and Cuisine are unexcelled.

For further information, Maps, Guide Books, Rates of Passage, &c., apply to

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Hongkong, 22nd May, 1902.

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STEAMERS.	DESTINATIONS.	SAILING DATES.	
SERBIA	HAVRE and HAMBURG.	4th June.	Freight.
Bremer	(Calling at SINGAPORE and COLOMBO).		
SUEVIA	HAVRE and HAMBURG.	18th June.	Freight.
Borck	(Calling at SINGAPORE and PENANG).		
STRASSBURG	HAVRE and HAMBURG.	1st July.	Freight.
Madsen	(Calling at SINGAPORE and COLOMBO).		
SAMBIA	HAVRE and HAMBURG.	15th July.	Freight.
Schmidt	(Calling at SINGAPORE and PENANG).		
SILESIA	HAVRE and HAMBURG.	30th July.	Freight.
Biele	(Calling at SINGAPORE and COLOMBO).		

For further Particulars, apply to

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE.

Hongkong Office, No. 1, Queen's Buildings.

Hongkong, 1st May, 1902.

Insurance.

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COMPANY OF HAMBURG.

THE Undersigned AGENTS of the above Company are prepared to accept First Class FOREIGN and CHINESE RISKS at CURRENT RATES.

SIEMSEN & Co
Hongkong, 28th May, 1895.

Consignees.

STEAMSHIP "SALAZIE."

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES
MARITIMES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo from London ex s.s. *Pet Hoand* Bordeaux, ex s.s. *Frederic Morel* and *Ville de Lorient*, in connection with above Steamer, are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables are being landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Limited, at Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless intimation is received from the Consignees before NOON, TO-DAY, the 17th instant, requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned. Goods remaining unclaimed after SATURDAY, the 24th instant, at NOON, will be subject to rent and landing charges.

All claims must be sent in to me on or before the 24th instant, or they will not be recognised.

All damaged packages will be examined on SATURDAY, the 21st instant, at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.

Hongkong, 17th May, 1902.

NORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP
COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP "TACOMA,"
FROM TACOMA, VICTORIA, YOKOHAMA, KOBE, MOJI AND SHANGHAI.

The above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

DODWELL & CO., LIMITED,
Agents.

Hongkong, 21st May, 1902.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of CARGO per Steamship

"CHINA,"

The above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

J. S. VAN BUREN,
Agent.

Hongkong, 21st May, 1902.

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION
COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM TRIESTE, FIUME, BOMBAY, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship

"TIROL,"

having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, whence delivery may be obtained.

This Vessel brings Cargo—

From Venice, ex s.s. *Thetis* transhipped at Trieste.

Optional Cargo will be discharged here unless notice to the contrary be given immediately.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all claims must be sent in to the Office of the Undersigned before Noon, on the 28th instant, or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 28th instant, will be subject to rent.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

SANDER, WIELER & CO.,
Agents.

Princes' Buildings.

Hongkong, 21st May, 1902.

FROM HAMBURG, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE N.D.L. Steamship

"STRASSBURG,"

Captain Madsen, having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature by the Undersigned and to take immediate delivery of their goods from alongside.

Optional Cargo will be forward unless notice to the contrary be given before Noon, TO-DAY.

Any Cargo impeding her discharge will be landed into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Limited, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 29th instant, will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 29th instant, at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE,
Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, 22nd May, 1902.

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A GALLANT SAILOR.

ROYAL HUMANE SOCIETY'S MEDAL PRESENTED TO A P. AND O. OFFICER.

Before the proceedings of the Coronation public meeting in the Town Hall, the other afternoon, commenced, an interesting little ceremony took place, says the *Straits Times*, in the presence of the assemblage—the presentation by the Colonial Secretary (the Hon. W. T. Taylor) of the bronze medal and vellum certificate to Mr. Hughes, 2nd officer of the P. and O. *Coromandel* for a gallant act of life-saving off Singapore in December last.

Mr. Taylor asked the indulgence of the meeting while he performed the, to him, most pleasing duty of presenting to Mr. Hughes his medal and certificate. The medal had been awarded under the following circumstances.

On 26th December last, the *Chusan* of the P. & O. Company, of which Mr. Hughes was then fifth officer, was entering Singapore harbour when an

ADLE SEAMAN FELL OVERBOARD.

Mr. Hughes at once jumped in and rescued the man. It was stated that the rescue was due entirely to the efforts of Mr. Hughes, and that the seaman, who could not swim a stroke, would inevitably have been drowned if it had not been for the gallantry of Mr. Hughes.

The matter was brought to the notice of the Straits Government by the Acting Master Attendant, and the Royal Humane Society was communicated with, with the result that they granted this medal and certificate. Deputed by His Excellency the Governor, he (Mr. Taylor) now had great pleasure in handing the award to Mr. Hughes, and he congratulated the recipient on this recognition of his gallantry.

Mr. Hughes received the medal and certificate amidst the warm applause of the assembled gathering; and, in the true manner of a brave man, briefly tendered his thanks and quickly sought the nearest exit from the hall.

[Mr. Hughes is at present in Hongkong on the *Ballaarat* where he is fourth officer.—Ed., H.K.T.]

PORT ARTHUR.

RUSSIAN TREATMENT OF CHINESE.

A Defence.

It has been alleged quite frequently of late the Russians are harsh and positively cruel in their treatment of the Chinese. Instances have been quoted purporting to show that this is particularly the case where Russian administration exclusively obtains. Newchwang, for example, has been cited as witnessing several very flagrant cases of unjust treatment of Chinese merchants who have courageously resisted extortionate demands on the part of Russian soldiers or officials, and in other divers ways, forms of persecution have been alleged.

In no instance of injustice quoted has it been shown that the perpetrators were punished, and in fact the public have been led to believe that Russian soldiery might infect injustice and indignity upon native Chinese with the tacit connivance of the Administration Officials, and with impunity. I am not in a position to contradict the statements made in a local contemporary in the cases of

INDIVIDUAL CRUELTY.

referred to. I have not been to Newchwang, but I am able to say that in one instance to my personal knowledge the offenders were brought to justice, just as they would have been in any other Treaty Port, by any nationality. I am likewise able to contradict from personal observations so far as they relate to Port Arthur. At this place, which is absolutely Russian Territory, John Chinaman is well treated. He is in fact on an equal footing with the foreigner in all outward respects. He piles his trade or calling in exactly the same way as others and no foreigner is allowed to strike him, neither may he push him off the footpath, or abuse him in any other way without incurring the contempt of the law and rendering himself liable to a penalty of fifty roubles. This law is enforced. "The one striking and favourable feature of the administration of affairs in Port Arthur was the better and more equitable treatment of the Chinese by the Russians than I have seen in other parts of the country. I am by no means pro-Russian, as for me, there is too much in their political and military administration to both regret and condemn, but a spirit of fair play prompts me to speak thus favourably of Russian treatment of the Chinese.

If the Russians spent only half as much money and devoted the same amount of energy and enterprise on trade pursuits as they do in the furtherance of their military scheme, they would be far

MORE FORMIDABLE TRADE RIVALS in the Far East than they are. At Port Arthur and thereabouts they have spent millions of sterling upon their plans of defence, from which so far as an outsider is able to judge they have not received any return. They are still expending large sums of money and devoting all their energy in furtherance of their military designs. Meanwhile the enterprising Japanese, their natural enemies, together with a few Americans and Germans are steadily securing the trade.

The Japanese have the great bulk of the retail trade in their hands at Port Arthur, and each day are strengthening their commercial status, while American, German, and English firms are receiving large orders for the supply of warlike and railway materials to the Russian Government, the relative proportions to each being in the order named. Thus Russia does not profit in a commercial sense, directly at any rate, from the occupation of Port Arthur and Dalny. The bulk of the money she is spending is going out of the country. This is all the more evident from the fact that neither of the two ports contains any manufacturing nor produces anything. Everything has to be imported, and as the bulk of the shipping is in foreign hands it will be surmised where

the money goes. Huge sums of money will continue to be expended on fortifications and military designs in the Liaoting peninsula during the next six years, and the garrisons there will be strengthened.

The New Town (two miles away from Port Arthur) is making rapid progress towards completion and promises to be a very fine place, with its public gardens, conservatories, public buildings, and

MAGNIFICENT PROMENADE.

on the bay front. The streets are well laid, being wide paved and drained; and already private firms have bought extensive building plots and are erecting their business premises and residences. Soon it is expected that the place will be ready to receive the residents from Port Arthur, which will then be used for military purposes only. It is still a puzzle to many to understand the purpose for which Dalny is intended in the future. Like Port Arthur it produces nothing. Moreover it is difficult to see how, from a trading point of view, it is of any geographical importance. In these circumstances a moment's reflection will show that either it, or New Town, is a superfluous expenditure of money.

The Russians themselves seem unable to explain the *raison d'être* of the two places; at any rate no definite plan has yet been authoritatively made known. Economic conditions may be expected to operate against two towns proximately situated and possessing no natural wealth or resource of their own. The one thing about Port Arthur which the Russians have done thoroughly is the town's defences. Without going further into this matter I will merely say that to the ordinary observer the Port either from sea, or from land side, seems impregnable; it will be a sorry day when any Power or combination of Powers attempt its invasion.

At present Port Arthur is

AN ILCONDITIONED PLACE.

to reside in. The streets are not paved, and the substitutes for pavements are not even good apologies for them. In wet weather the streets are practically impassable, and are neither more nor less than rivers of mud and slush, necessitating the use of rickshaws or carriages, while during dry windy weather they are rendered almost impassable by dust and sand. I do not know which is worse for pedestrians—the wet or the windy weather; they are both infinitely worse than can be described in cold type. A fifth-rate village in England would not tolerate such conditions for a month, especially when they might be improved at such small cost; yet the Russians accept them with a self-satisfaction and equanimity which are most aggravating to more enterprising foreigners whose fate it is to be cast there. The social conditions of Port Arthur, combined with its other disadvantages, make the place a very undesirable town for Englishmen to reside in, and to this fact may be added another equally significant—they are not wanted.

China Gazette.

BIG FIRE IN THE BARBICAN.

Since the great fire in the Jewin-street district there has been no bigger conflagration in the City than that which broke out late at night on 21st ult. in the Barbican, says the *L. & C. Express* of the 25th April. The street is one which abuts on the same neighbourhood, and is scarcely less remarkable for the value of the contents of its many warehouses. It is no criterion of the extent of the damage done to give the street numbers, or to describe the situation of the premises concerned. Generally speaking, and certainly for the present, Barbican is useless for the purposes of trade, for the exact area of the fire is surrounded with a ring of damage done by heat and water. Wind-blown are cracked hundreds of feet away; shop-fronts are scorched, sometimes beyond recognition; skylights and temporary roofs have fallen through. At the Aldersgate end of Barbican are a couple of tobacconists' shops which have escaped, then a confectioner's, then a news-vendor's, with several storerooms of offices above. The Aerated Bread depot is unrecognisable, and there begins the spectacle of desolation. The premises of Messrs. Macquenn and Co., Frederick Elliott, and Frederick J. Roberts (8 and 9, 10 to 14, and 12 to 14 respectively) were given up by three important businesses in hat manufacture, and these are merely a skeleton row of pillars and supports with no roofs left to hold up. Round the corner, which is formed by Australian avenue, the same has happened, and across the avenue the front premises of Messrs. Mason and Co., builders, have suffered. The north side of Barbican is similarly transformed. A narrow thoroughfare, New Zealand-avenue, bisected a solid row of buildings; to-day the avenue cannot be distinguished from the general gap. The Barbican Post-office is closed; Yexley's restaurant is uninhabitable, and the premises of Pearce's (a coffee house), Messrs. Lee Brothers, Messrs. Bryer, Loeb and Co., and Boyer and Co. are involved in the general loss. There is the same scene of incurable damage for some distance up the avenue, and even Messrs. Stillard's (an ostrich feather warehouse), in Aldersgate beyond, have been "treached and scorched" to severe extent in the way of stock. The ruins of the fire were the great centre of interest in London on 22nd ult. All day long thick crowds thronged as near as the police would allow them to go at every point. The scene was a striking one. Factories and warehouses were gutted and roofless, and their bare steel frames stood out against the sky amid a delugation of falling bricks and charred wood. In some parts even the great steel girders had given way, and lay fused and twisted by the great heat, although giant hands had crushed them shapeless. No lives were lost, thanks to the promptitude with which the horse escapes were brought up, and the smart work of the firemen and police. The damage is valued at £2,000,000.

THE NEW YORK POLICE.

STARTLING EXPOSURES.

One of the most sensational exposures in the long list of crimes charged to the account of the corrupt police force of New York was made in the *New York Herald* recently. For 10 days representatives of that journal and of the District Attorney of New York, the chief prosecuting officer, posed as thieves and bargained with detectives to sell them immunity from arrest for picking pockets on trams, and ferry boats, passing forged cheques and counterfeit money, and for robbing a house. For years it has been generally reported and generally believed that a complete connection existed between the police and the professional criminals. Alphonse Vaneleire, educated criminal, offered to expose this connection. He was taken to the District Attorney, and his plan was approved, and all the details were arranged by the prosecuting authorities. A reporter was introduced as his confederate. Within 24 hours these two men arrived at full understanding with the detectives detailed especially to guard what is known as the Bowery, or crowded east side of the city. The supposed criminals were introduced to receivers of stolen goods, and were even supplied by friends of the police with implements for breaking into houses. Although money and jewellery were given to these detectives by the supposed criminals as their share of the spoil, and accepted, no crime was committed, as under the instructions issued by the District Attorney great care was taken to avoid any infraction of the law. After a long series of negotiations it was arranged to rob a house, the owner of which had previously been made a party to the scheme. The pretended robbery having been committed, the detectives became suspicious of the sincerity of Vaneleire, and in order to save themselves arrested him and his companion. When the District Attorney explained the matter to the magistrates before whom the sham burglars were arraigned, they were released, and the District Attorney's explanation will probably be the programme of the entire detective department.

THE PRESS ASSOCIATION has been favoured by the *Times* with a copy of the following poem by Mr. Rudyard Kipling which was read at the burial of Mr. Rhodes in the Matopos Hills.

When that great Kings return to clay, or Emperors in their pride Grief of a day shall fill a day, because its creature died.

But we—we reckon not with those whom the mere fates ordain This power that wrought on us and goes back to the power again.

Dreamer, debut, by vision, led beyond our guess or reach, The travail of his spirit bred cities in place of speech.

So huge the all-mastering thought that drove—so brief the term allowed— Nations, not words, he linked to prove his faith before the crowd.

It is his will that he look forth across the lands he won— The granite of the ancient north—great spaces washed with sun; There shall he patient make his seat (as when the death he dared), And there await a people's feet in the paths that he prepared.

There, till the vision he foresaw splendid and whole arise, And unimagined Empires draw to council 'neath his skies, The immense and brooding spirit still shall quicken and control; Living he was the land, and dead his soul shall be her soul.

RUDYARD KIPLING.

LIEUT. BLAKE PRESENTED TO THE KING.

BY HIS EXCELLENCY.

The first Leave held by the King since his occupation of Buckingham Palace took place at St. James's Palace on 21st ult. His Majesty having left Sandringham about halfpast eight in the morning in order to reach London in time. The crowds gathered in the spring sunshine were larger than at any previous Leave in the present reign. In the Throne Room the scene was both brilliant and extremely interesting. The Diplomatic Circle was attended by the Ministers of Siam, Japan, and Korea, with their Counsellors, Secretaries, and Attaches of Legation. The following presentations were made in the Diplomatic Circle:—By the Belgian Legation, Mr. Y. de Djeun, Attaché Chinese Legation, by the Japanese Minister, Mr. Obata, Attaché, and Commander Yamagi, Imperial Japanese Navy. The following were amongst those presented to His Majesty:—Captain C. H. Alexander, 6th Bombay Cavalry

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A Mail will be sent
 For Canton, Per *Hongkong*, to-morrow, the 24th instant, at 7.30 A.M.
 For Bangkok, Per *Chowlat*, to-morrow, the 24th instant, at 9 A.M.
 For Swatow, Amoy and Foochow, Per *Amoy Maru*, to-morrow, the 24th instant, at 10 A.M.
 For Shanghai, Moji, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria, (B.C.) and Tacoma, Per *Victoria*, to-morrow, the 24th instant, at 11 A.M.
 For Europe, &c., India, via Tientsin, Per *Ballaarat*, to-morrow, the 24th instant, at 11 A.M.
 For Macao, Per *Hongkong*, to-morrow, the 24th instant, at 12.15 P.M.
 For Straits, Colombo and Bombay, Per *Australia*, to-morrow, the 24th instant, at 1 P.M.
 For Singapore, Penang and Calcutta, Per *Ararat*, to-morrow, the 24th instant, at 3 P.M.
 For Kunchuk and Samsui, Per *Tung-kong*, to-morrow, the 24th instant, at 3 P.M.
 For Saigon, Per *Doris*, to-morrow, the 24th instant, at 3 P.M.
 For Moji, Per *Alisa Craig*, to-morrow, the 24th instant, at 3 P.M.
 For Swatow and Shanghai, Per *Hongkong*, to-morrow, the 24th instant, at 3 P.M.
 For Shanghai, Per *Hupsh*, to-morrow, the 24th instant, at 4 P.M.
 For Amoy, Ningpo and Shanghai, Per *Kwong*, to-morrow, the 24th instant, at 4 P.M.
 For Manila, Per *Perla*, to-morrow, the 24th instant, at 4 P.M.
 For Swatow, Amoy and Tamsui, Per *Daijin Maru*, to-morrow, the 24th instant, at 5 P.M.
 For Yokohama and Kobe, Per *Strasbourg*, to-morrow, the 24th instant, at 5 P.M.
 For Europe, &c., India, via Tientsin, Per *Prinz Regent Luitpold*, on Wednesday, the 28th instant, at 11 A.M.
 For Singapore, Per *Soatra*, on Thursday, the 29th instant, at 11 A.M.
 For Port Darwin, Thursday Island, Coketown, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne, Per *Guthrie*, on Thursday, the 29th instant, at 11 A.M.
 For Moji, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria, (B.C.) and Tacoma, Per *Tacoma*, on Saturday, the 31st instant, at 11 A.M.
 For Thursday Island, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne, Per *Kasuga Maru*, on Saturday, the 31st instant, at 11 A.M.
 For Europe, &c., India, via Tientsin, Per *Leos*, on Monday, the 2nd June, at 11 A.M.
 For Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria and Vancouver, B.C., Per *Empress of China*, on Wednesday, the 4th June, at 11 A.M.
 For Europe, &c., India, via Tientsin, Per *Sunaina*, on Saturday, the 7th June, at 11 A.M.
 For Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria and Vancouver, B.C., Per *Tartar*, on Saturday, the 21st June, at 11 A.M.

VESSELS IN PORT.

Steamers.
 AMARA, British steamer, 1,656 C. J. Matlock, 13th May, Samarang and Sourabaya 3rd May, Sugar, Jardine, Matheson & Co.
 ANPING MARU, Japanese steamer, 1,083 K. Suzuki, 17th May, Foochow via Amoy and Swatow 16th May, General, Mitsui Bussan Kaisha.
 ARRATON APCAR, British steamer, 2,879 A. Stewart, 18th May, Calcutta via Penang and Singapore 13th May, General, David Sassoon & Co., Ltd.
 CHELYDRA, British steamer, 1,574 R. Cox, 18th May, Saigon 14th May, Rice, Jardine, Matheson & Co.
 CHINA, American steamer, 3,187 D. E. Friele, 21st May, San Francisco 23rd April, Honolulu 30th, Yokohama 13th May, Kobe 14th, Nagasaki 15th, and Shanghai 19th, Mails and General, P. M. S. S. Co.
 CHOWTAL, German steamer, 1,115 A. Müller, 18th May, Bangkok 10th May, Rice and Teakwood, Butterfield & Swire.
 CROWN OF ARAGON, British steamer, 1,474 I. G. Doward, 13th May, Saigon 8th May, General, Gilman & Co.
 DAIJIN MARU, Japanese steamer, 890 T. Ogata, 22nd May, Tamsui 18th May, General, Mitsui Bussan Kaisha.
 DORIS, Norwegian steamer, 955 K. Jacobsen, 20th May, Manila 17th May, Ballast, Nam Wo.
 GERMAN, German steamer, 650, Uldersup, 12th May, Holm 11th May, Rice and Figs, Johnston & Co.
 GLOUCESTER CITY, British steamer, 1,400 O. J. Nilsen, 19th May, Saigon 13th May, Rice and Paddy, Doddwell & Co., Ltd.
 HAINAN, British steamer, 636 W. Passmore, 16th May, Foochow 14th May, Amoy 15th, General, Douglas, Lapraik & Co.
 HANSA, German steamer, 1,250 L. Lorenzen, 22nd May, Iloilo 17th May, Sugar, Sander, Wieler & Co.
 HONGKONG, French steamer, 742 J. Pannier, 16th May, Haiphong 13th May, General, A. R. Marty.
 HUPSH, British steamer, 1,205, Menthrel, 19th May, Saigon 15th May, Rice, Butterfield & Swire.
 IBADAN, British steamer, 473 W. Winch, 8th May, Bangkok 29th April, Rice, Order.
 KAIFONG, British steamer, 1,024 G. H. Pennefather, 5th May, Manila 2nd May, General, Butterfield & Swire.
 KAISOW, British steamer, 2,529 G. A. Rodway, 18th May, Wansung 14th May, General, Doddwell & Co., Ltd.
 PELAYO, British steamer, 1,100, Fryan, 21st May, Singapore 14th May, Petroleum, Chan Ahon.
 PERLEUS, British steamer, 4,800 W. Aquith, 18th May, Singapore 13th May, General, Butterfield & Swire.
 PERLA, British steamer, 1,286 G. T. Blackland, 21st May, Manila 18th May, General, Shaw, Tomes & Co.
 PICCOLA, German steamer, 1,062, Hardy, 22nd May, Iloilo 17th May, Sugar, E. A. Trading Co.
 PITANULOK, German steamer, 1,267, Dartling, 17th May, Bangkok 10th May, Rice and Teakwood, Butterfield & Swire.
 QUART, German steamer, 1,140 H. Johansen, 18th May, Swatow 17th May, Rice, Tung Kee & Co.
 QUEENSLAND, British steamer, 2,472 R. A. Gray, 18th May, Shanghai 13th May, General, Shaw, Tomes & Co.
 ROBERT DICKINSON, British steamer, 1,331 S. McDonnell, 21st May, Oakesen 19th May, Oil, Arnold, Karberg & Co.
 SAVOIA, German steamer, 1,600 H. Rebbelmann, 22nd May, Mororan 13th May, Coal, Siemens & Co.
 SLEIPNER, Norwegian steamer, 860, D. Redseth, 19th May, Rajang (Borneo) 13th May, Timber, Seng Kee & Co.
 SKULB, Norwegian steamer, 915, A. Berthom, 20th May, Bangkok 11th May, Rice, Mengsang Sang Kee.
 STRASSBURG, German steamer, 2,205, L. Manden, 22nd May, Hamburg 13th April, and Singapore 10th May, General, Siemens & Co.
 TACOMA, American steamer, 689, A. Dixon, 21st May, Tacoma via Port 19th May, General, Doddwell & Co., Ltd.
 TAICHOW, German steamer, 875, C. Schuy, 21st May, Bangkok via Koi-Ming 10th May, Rice, Butterfield & Swire.

TAISHAN, British steamer, 1,121 J. D. Jenkins, 18th May, Saigon 14th May, Rice, Brade & Co.
TELEGRAPH, British steamer, 1,260 J. Williamson, 21st May, Saigon 17th May, Rice, &c., Nam Wo & Co.
TETARTOS, German steamer, 1,178 W. Duse, 18th May, Saigon 14th May, Rice, Siemens & Co.
TORDENSKJOLD, Norwegian steamer, 738 L. F. Hissen, 21st May, Bangkok 14th May, Rice, Sander, Wieler & Co.
TSINTAU, German steamer, 1,002 O. Koch, 19th May, Bangkok 13th May, Rice, Butterfield & Swire.
VICTORIA, American steamer, 2,112 J. Pantol, 15th May, Tacoma via Japan 17th April, General, Doddwell & Co., Ltd.
YUNAN, British steamer, 1,250 W. Hensen, 22nd May, Moji 17th May, Coal, Butterfield & Swire.

Sailing Vessels.
ALCIDES, British 4-masted bark, 2,294, L. C. Dart, 12th April, Kobe 27th Mar, General, Arnold, Karberg & Co.
ANDROMEDA, British ship, 1,763, Fulton, 8th April, New York 25th Oct, Kerosine Oil, Standard Oil Co.
AUSTRIA, British ship, 2,387, Ewart, 14th May, New York 7th Mar, Case Oil, Standard Oil Co.
COMET, British sailing-vessel, 3,000 W. G. Davis, 28th April, Kobe 11th April, Ballast, Standard Oil Co.
FORFARSHIRE, British bark, 1,300 R. Purdy, 28th April, Geraldton (West Australia) 20th Feb, Sandalwood, Jardine, Matheson & Co.
LEICESTER CASTLE, British ship, 2,009 R. D. Denton, 4th Mar, New York 31st Sept, Case Oil, Standard Oil Co.
THISTLE, British bark, 1,200 Owen Williams, 12th April, Fremantle, West Australia 7th Feb, Sandalwood, Siemens & Co.

RIVER STEAMERS, SHOONERS, AND LOCHAS.

Fatshan, British steamer, 1,225, Lossius, Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat Co.
Hok-nan, British steamer, 1,377, H. D. Jones, Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat Co.
Pusan, British steamer, 1,873, A. N. Patrick, Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat Co.
Hankow, British steamer, 2,252, C. V. Lloyd, Butterfield & Swire.
Hok-long, Chinese steamer, 409 tons, Captain Evans, N. G. Sauter, H. G. Fisher, H. G. Fletcher, A. E. H. Foss, B. F. Gibson, W. S. Gilman, M. A. Miss, G. O. Glover, C. Goldsmith, H. E. Gore, Miss Graham, W. D. Grant, A. W. Grant, John Groospeed, F. B. Hauman, I. M. Heaps, E. O. Hillmann, G. G. O. Holden, Mr. Hollingsworth, A. Howard, Thos. Huke, Mr. and Mrs. N. Whitton, Mrs. A. M. Hunter, Dr. W. Johansen, Mr. E.

HONGKONG AND MACAO.

Hongkong and Macao.
Hongkong, British steamer, 1,055, W. E. Clarke, Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Co.
Macao and Canton.
Lungshan, British steamer, 141, G. F. Morrison, R.N.R., Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Co.
Kiangtung, Chinese steamer, 583, R. J. MacKenzie, China Merchant Steam Navigation Co.

Canton and West River.

Nanning, British steamer, R. D. Thomas, Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Co.
Sainan, British steamer, W. Dixon, Hongkong, Canton and West River Steamboat Co.

AGENDA.

Gospel Hall.
 6 Arsenal Street, Top Floor, Off Queen's Road, East.
 Meetings are held as follows:—
 SUNDAY, Acts 2.42 11 a.m.
 Gospel Address 6 p.m.
 TUESDAY, Soldiers & Sailors Bible Class. 6 p.m.
 THURSDAY, General Bible Class 6 p.m.
 SATURDAY, Prayer Meeting 6 p.m.
 A hearty welcome given to all.

TO-DAY.

WEATHER REPORT.
 On date at 10 a.m. On date at 4 p.m.
 Barometer 29.75 29.69
 Temperature 83 83
 Humidity 82 77
 Rainfall —

SHIPPING AND MAIL NEWS.

MAILS DUE.
 Indian (Lightning) 25th inst.
 Australian (Eastern) 25th inst.
 Canadian (Empress of China) 26th inst.
 German (Prinz Regent Luitpold) 27th inst.
 German (Hamburg) 28th inst.
 American (Doric) 29th inst.
 American (Peru) 15th prox.

The O. S. S. Co.'s steamer *Glancus* left Shanghai on the 22nd inst., and is expected here on the 25th inst., for London.

The N. Y. K. Co.'s steamer *Idzumi Maru* (Bomhoy Line) left Kobe via Moji for this port on the 22nd inst., and is expected to arrive here on the 29th inst.

The P. M. S. S. Co.'s steamer *Peru* with mails &c., left San Francisco for this port via Honolulu, Yokohama, Inland Sea, Kobe, Nagasaki and Shanghai, on the 17th inst.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK RETURNS.

Stranstad At Kowloon Dock.
Hainan " "
Pitanulok " "
Loch Trool " "
Kaifong " "
Isla de Cuba " "
Amara " "
Hongkong " "
Victoria Cosmopolitan
Falshan " "

PASSED THE CANAL.

Outward—25th April—*Hermion*, 2nd May—*Trilete*, *Rodnorshire*, *Manchuria*, *Stenor*, 6th May—*Hamburg*, *Shanghai*, *Tenkai*, *Repton*, *Alholl*, *Erica*, *Glentworth*, 9th May—*Sambha*, *Angkor*, *Alcinous*, 16th May—*Idoniscus*, *Neslor*, *Sydney*, *Queen Christina*, *Colonna*, *Main*, *Seneca*, 20th May—*Prinz Heinrich*, *Benvenue*, 20th May—*Hakata Maru*, 9th May—*Kawachi Maru*, 20th May—*Ceylon*, *Awa Maru*, *Yarra*, 20th May.

ARRIVALS AT HOME—2nd May—*Naku*, *Nor*, 6th May—*Standard*, *Tylen*, 6th May—*Ernest*, *Simon*, *Sithonia*, 9th May—*Louther Castle*, *Bayern*, 10th May—*Anlonor*, *Stilgar*, 21st May—*Malla*, *Canton*.

EXCHANGE.

Hongkong, 23rd May.
 ON LONDON, Telegraphic Transfer 1/8 1/16
 Bank Bills, on demand 1/8 1/16
 Credits, 4 months' sight 1/8 1/16
 Debits, 4 months' sight 1/8 1/16
 ON BERLIN, Bank Bills, on demand 2 1/2
 Credits, 4 months' sight 2 1/2
 ON NEW YORK, Bank Bills, on demand 42 1/2
 Credits, 30 days' sight 42 1/2
 ON BOMBAY, Telegraphic Transfer 129 1/2
 On demand 129 1/2
 ON SHANGHAI, Telegraphic Transfer 74 1/2
 Private 30 days' sight 18 1/2 prem.
 ON YOKOHAMA, T.T. 18 1/2 prem.
 Sovereigns, Bank's Buying Rate \$11.42
 Gold Leaf 100 touch, per tael \$9.50
 Bar Silver 24
 Dollars 24

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OPPIUM QUOTATIONS.

Hongkong, 23rd May.
 To-day's quotations are as follows:—
 BENGAL—New Panna 590 1/2
 Old Panna 890
 New Benares 890
 Old Benares 920 nom.
 MALWA—New 890
 Last year's 950/80
 2 1/2 years' old 920/30
 3 1/4 years' old 930/40
 Butcher's 940
 PERSIAN—Superior drug was sold 575/560

CHINA COAST METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

May 22nd, 1902, p.m.

STATION	HOUR	BAROMETER	TEMPERATURE	HUMIDITY	DIRECTION	FORCE	WEATHER
Wladivostok	2 p.m.	29.36	49	SE	1	0	
Kochi	"	29.94	"	SE	8	1	
Nagasaki	"	29.91	"	SE	4	1	
Kagoshima	"	29.83	"	SW	4	1	
Taihouku	1 p.m.	29.64	"	NW	2	0	
Taichu	"	29.63	"	NW	4	1	
Tainan	"	29.65	"	NW	6	1	
Koshun	"	29.65	"	NW	6	1	
Pescadores	"	29.68	"	N	3	0	
Gutlaif	3 p.m.	29.73	74	SE	3	0	
Sho p Peak	"	29.68	84	SE	4	0	
Amoy	2.30 p.	29.68	84	SE	4	0	
Swatow	3 p.m.	29.65	84	SE	3	0	
Canton	"	29.62	80	SE	3	0	
Hongkong Peak	1 p.m.	29.64	83	SE	1	0	
Gap Rock	"	29.62	86	SE	1	0	
Maiala	1 p.m.	29.62	86	SE	1	0	
Haiphong	1 p.m.	29.70	85	WSW	6	0	
Malate	3 p.m.	29.70	85	WSW	6	0	
Bacolod	"	29.84	83	NE	2	0	
Iloilo	"	29.84	83	NE	2	0	
Cebu	"	29.84	83	NE	2	0	
C. St. James	"	"	"	"	"	"	

May 23rd, 1902, a.m.

STATION	HOUR	BAROMETER	TEMPERATURE	HUMIDITY	DIRECTION	FORCE	WEATHER
Wladivostok	7 a.m.	29.61	47	99	"	"	b
Kochi	"	29.86	"	"	"	"	"
Nagasaki	"	29.83	"	"	"	"	"
Kagoshima	"	29.75	"	"	"	"	"
Taihouku	5 a.m.	29.74	"	"	"	"	"
Taichu	"	29.72	"	"	"	"	"
Tainan	"	29.72	"	"	"	"	"
Koshun	"	29.68	"	"	"	"	"
Pescadores	"	29.74	"	"	"	"	"
Gutlaif	9 a.m.	29.79	78	84	SE	3	f
Sho p Peak	"	29.76	78	84	SE	3	f
Amoy	6.30 a.	29.71	79	87	ENE	1	c
Swatow	9 a.m.	"	"	"	"	"	"
Canton	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
Hongkong	10 a.m.	29.75	83	82	E	1	c
Victoria Peak	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
Gap Rock	"	29.74	"	"	"	"	"
Maiala	"	29.77	85	"	"	"	"
Haiphong	7 a.m.	29.88	88	72	"	"	"
Malate	10 a.m.	"	"	"	"	"	"
Bacolod	9 a.m.	"	"	"	"	"	"
Iloilo	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
Cebu	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
C. St. James	7 a.m.	"	"	"	"	"	"

On the 23rd at 11.57 a.m. The barometer has fallen in Japan, risen over China and Formosa. The depression lying to the East of Formosa yesterday has moved N.E. and lies now N. Lochoos. The depression situated over Manchuria yesterday, has moved Eastwards into the N. part of the Sea of Japan. Gradients slight on the China coast. Forecast—variable winds, light; showery.

F. G. FIGG, Acting Director.

PROJECTED SAILINGS.

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DESTINATION.	VESSELS.	DATE.
Amoy, &c.	Kwangse	May 24
Amoy, &c.	Maiduru Maru	May 28
Amoy, &c.	Niimi Maru	May 24
Amoy, &c.	Hanku Maru	May 31
Amoy, &c.	Prinzess Irene	June 12
Amoy, &c.	P. R. Luitpold	Sept. 18
Amoy, &c.	Hamburg	May 26
Amoy, &c.	Prinz Heinrich	July 10
Amoy, &c.	Sachsen	July 24
Amoy, &c.	Kiautschou	Aug. 7
Amoy, &c.	Bayern	Aug. 21
Amoy, &c.	König Albert	Sept. 4
Amoy, &c.	Anping Maru	June 4
Amoy, &c.	Serbia	June 4
Amoy, &c.	Suevia	June 18
Amoy, &c.	Strassburg	July 1
Amoy, &c.	Sambia	July 15
Amoy, &c.	Silesia	July 30
Amoy, &c.	Kumano Maru	May 30
Amoy, &c.	Deucalion	June 10
Amoy, &c.	Glaucus	May 26
Amoy, &c.	Agamemnon	June 10
Amoy, &c.	Stentor	June 24
Amoy, &c.	Alcinous	July 8
Amoy, &c.	Ballaarat	May 24
Amoy, &c.	Benlomond	June 5
Amoy, &c.	Regatta Maru	May 29
Amoy, &c.	Perla	May 24
Amoy, &c.	Rubi	May 29
Amoy, &c.	Hitchi-Maru	May 31
Amoy, &c.	Socotra	June 2
Amoy, &c.	Laos	June 2
Amoy, &c.	Macdoff	May 31
Amoy, &c.	Satsuma	June 14
Amoy, &c.	Shimosa	June 27
Amoy, &c.	Merionethshire	June 25
Amoy, &c.	Changsha	June 7
Amoy, &c.	Indrasamha	June 14
Amoy, &c.	America Maru	July 12
Amoy, &c.	Nippon Maru	June 17
Amoy, &c.	Peru	June 24
Amoy, &c.	Doric	June 7
Amoy, &c.	Coptic	July 3
Amoy, &c.	Chint	May 31
Amoy, &c.	Hupei	May 24
Amoy, &c.	Nankin	May 27
Amoy, &c.	Austria	May 24
Amoy, &c.	Arratoon Apar	May 24
Amoy, &c.	Tientsin	May 29
Amoy, &c.	Daigai Maru	June 3
Amoy, &c.	Daigai Maru	May 25
Amoy, &c.	Thales	May 25
Amoy, &c.	Kasuga Maru	May 29
Amoy, &c.	Guthrie	May 29
Amoy, &c.	Empress of Japan	July 16
Amoy, &c.	Empress of China	June 4
Amoy, &c.	Empress of India	June 25
Amoy, &c.	Tartar	June 21
Amoy, &c.	Athenian	July 26
Amoy, &c.	Glenogle	July 12
Amoy, &c.	Victoria	May 24
Amoy, &c.	Tacoma	May 31
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